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Senate Resolution 519

By: Senators Jackson of the 2nd and Jones of the 10th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Angel McCoughtry; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, a native of Baltimore, Maryland, Angel attended the University of Louisville,
- 3 where she broke records and set the standard for excellence for future generations; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Angel stands as the all-time leading scorer and rebounder at Louisville, with
- 5 2,779 points and 1,261 rebounds, averaging 20 points and 9.1 rebounds per game during her
- 6 collegiate career; and
- 7 WHEREAS, she has been recognized with numerous honors and awards for her tremendous
- 8 athleticism, including being named Big East Defensive Player of the Year as a senior, being
- 9 selected for the Big East All-Freshman Team, and being Louisville's first three-time All
- 10 American; and
- 11 WHEREAS, while at Louisville, Angel was a three-time All-Big East first team member, a
- 12 three-time WBCA/State Farm All American, and a first team All American for the
- 13 Associated Press, USBWA, ESPN.com, and CBS Sportsline.com; and
- 14 WHEREAS, as a senior, she led the Cardinals to the championship game and the first Final
- 15 Four in the program's history, set a new single season scoring record with 858 points, and led
- 16 the nation in steals with 4.3 per game; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Angel was drafted first overall by the Atlanta Dream in the 2009 WNBA draft;
- during her rookie season, she made an immediate impact and was named Rookie of the Year;
- 19 and
- 20 WHEREAS, as a franchise player for Atlanta for nine years, Angel has played in 285 games,
- 21 averaging 5.0 rebounds per game, 3.1 assists per game, 2.1 steals per game, and 19.2 points
- 22 per game; she has received multiple accolades during her successful WNBA career,

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23 including being a five-time WNBA All-Star, two-time WNBA scoring champion, two-time

- 24 WNBA steals leader, and has earned seven All-Defensive First Team honors; and
- 25 WHEREAS, during the WNBA off-seasons, Angel has continued her passion to play
- 26 basketball by traveling overseas to play in Turkey, Slovakia, Lebanon, Hungary, and Russia;
- 27 she has seen much success in her international career, including winning the 2011 Hungarian
- National League, 2012 and 2013 Turkish National League, 2017 EuroLeague, and Lebanese
- 29 Basketball League championships; and
- 30 WHEREAS, off the court, Angel works to improve her community and inspire youth to
- 31 achieve their dreams, to which she established the Angel McCoughtry Dream Foundation in
- 32 2010 and opened her own ice cream parlor, McCoughtry's, in Atlanta in 2017.
- 33 WHEREAS, in recognition of her outstanding athletic achievements and community
- 34 involvement, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to honor the extraordinary
- 35 commitment and accomplishments of Angel McCoughtry.
- 36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 37 commend Angel McCoughtry for her years of hard work, perseverance, and success, on and
- 38 off the basketball court.
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- 40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of Senate is authorized and directed to
- 41 make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Angel McCoughtry.